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Mr. Tom Gentile
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Dear Tom:

On November 17, 1992, USDA Forest Service personnel conducted a gypsy moth egg mass survey at Earle Naval Weapons Depot. The purpose of this survey was to determine gypsy moth population densities and to assess the potential for defoliation and the need for treatment in 1993.

The results of the survey are presented in Table 1. The survey plot locations are shown in Figure 1. In brief, egg mass densities ranged from 0-80 and averaged 10 egg masses per acre. No noticeable defoliation is expected at Earle Naval Weapons Depot so treatment is unnecessary in 1993.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please call me at 304-285-1541.

Sincerely,

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Table 1. -- Gypsy Moth Egg Mass Survey Results at Earle Naval Weapons Depot, November 17, 1992.

Plot Number	Number EM/Acre
1	0
2	0
3	0
4	0
5	0
6	0
7	0
2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	40
9	0
	0
11	0
12	0
13 14	40
14	0
15 16	0
16	0
17 18	0
18	80
19	40
20	0
21	0
22	0
23 24	0
24	0
25 26	0
26	80
27	0

Range = 0-80 EM/Acre Average = 10 EM/Acre

-- Gypsy moth egg mass survey plot locations at Earle Naval Weapons Station, November 18, 1992. NLAND (3) AREA ○ - Plot locations

Figure 1.